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CITY OF CUDAHY

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From the Desk of Mayor Day:

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

SIDEWALK PROJECT

DELAYED: This year the City hired a contractor to replace hazardous sidewalks in a portion of the City. The project affected about 1,200 property owners and was scheduled to be completed in 2010. Because of the large amount of work and the delay in getting the project started this year, the contractor will not be able to complete all of the work by October 15th. If you were notified this summer that your sidewalk would be replaced and it has not been done yet, it will probably not be completed this year and will be replaced next summer. The estimated cost given to you will not change.

CUDAHY/ST. FRANCIS INTERFAITH:

If you are 60 or older and a resident you are entitled to our services. That includes primary transportation and some help with home chores. Volunteers are always needed. Call (414)483-4474.

Fall is quickly approaching ending a wonderful summer in the City of Cudahy. I hope everyone's summer was safe and enjoyable.

We have two events planned for the remainder of this year. The first is "Cudahy's Fall Harvest for Project Concern" which will combine a food drive with some fun activities for families. This event will be held on October 15, 2010 in Historic Downtown Cudahy.

The second fall event is our "Hometown Holiday" which is scheduled for November 27, 2010 at the Cudahy Library.

Remember, your community needs your support. Our Celebrations Committee is still looking for volunteers. There are many ways you can help. Contact me at City Hall (414)769-2222 or stop by and introduce yourself. Have a wonderful fall and a happy and healthy holiday season!

Clerk/Treasurer's Office:

- Tax bills will be mailed this year and in your hands no later than December 15, 2010.
- You will be receiving your dog and cat license renewal information in the mail around the same time from MADACC. All adult dogs and cats are required to be licensed in the City of Cudahy.
- Any pit bulls not registered or not re-registered by January 1st of each year will be removed from the City of Cudahy. To review the entire Pit Bull ordinance and application form visit our website at www.cudahy-wi.gov
- The Fall General Election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 2, 2010. Polls open at 7:00AM and close at 8:00PM. Absentee ballots will be available approximately three weeks prior. All information and forms are available on the City's website.



CUDAHY POLICE DEPARTMENT

SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN DRUNK DRIVING TASK FORCE
Working Together To Save Lives In Our Community
Drunk Driving Enforcement Efforts

The Cudahy Department along with sixteen (16) other Southeast Wisconsin Police Agencies would like to report the success of the combined efforts to combat drunk driving on the roads in Southeast Wisconsin. Since April 10, 2009 the Southeast Wisconsin Drunk Driving Task Force has made the roads safer by arresting 1,003 drunk drivers.

Drunk driving is a serious crime that causes needless deaths that can be prevented. The Southeast Wisconsin Drunk Driving Task Force is a team of law enforcement agencies from Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties working together in a concentrated and coordinated enforcement effort to reduce impaired drivers.

As a part of this enforcement effort, the St Francis Police Department is receiving \$10,000.00 through a grant to pay for officer salaries who dedicate their time to the effort. High visibility enforcement is a proven way to deter drunk drivers, and the Cudahy Department is committed to removing impaired drivers from our roads.

The success of this program has been nationally recognized by the National Highway Traffic Institute (NHTSA), and has been selected by the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation (PIRE) to conduct a case-study project, (Case

Study of High-Visibility Impaired-Driving Enforcement Programs).

Future dates of enforcement include September 4, 24, Oct 8, 30, November 13, 27, and December 11, 31. If you drive impaired we will STOP, TEST, AND ARREST you.

Chief Thomas D. Poellot
Cudahy Police Department

LIBRARY NEWS:

Veterans Day Observance at the Cudahy Family Library – November 11, 2010: Remember the men and women who served our country at the Cudahy Family Library on Veterans Day, Thursday, November 11th starting at 10:00AM. There will be light refreshments and family displays in the Winter Garden. A Veterans ceremony will be held at 11:00 AM, and the displays will be on view until 8:00 PM. The Cudahy Family Library is looking for ten families who would like to honor their past servicemen and women by providing memorabilia for a display. Items to display could include photographs, clippings, uniforms, medals, etc. For more information or to reserve a display area, call the Reference Desk at (414)769-2244. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.



Cudahy Fire Department

Station #1 769-2231
4626 S. Packard Ave.

Station #2 769-2233
3115 E. Ramsey Ave.



Holiday Safety

Every year over 300 fires are caused by holiday decorations. Dry vegetation, such as pine trees and boughs, are significant factors. Only use a fresh cut tree, and be sure to keep it watered. Use hot tap water to fill the water reservoir, this will help to keep the sap flowing. Check all electrical decorations for damage. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for hours of usage and areas for proper installation. Frayed or damaged wires are an invitation for fire. Do not overload outlets, or install too many light strings together. Overloading circuits and wires can cause overheating and lead to a fire. Another key point to remember is not to block doorways. If there is a fire, the normal pathways out of your home will be critical. Blocking that path with decorations could be the difference between escaping the fire and being trapped.

If there is a fire, exit the home immediately, and phone 911 from a safe location.

Adopt a fire hydrant

As winter approaches, the Fire Department asks that all residents watch for snow around the fire hydrants. Please keep a three foot area around the hydrant clear of snow. This helps fire fighters find the hydrants during an emergency, as well as to quickly connect to it. This may seem like a small request, but to the fire fighters responding to a fire, it can make the difference between life and death. Thank you.

Winter Fire Safety Tips

The high cost of home heating fuels and utilities have caused many Americans to search for alternate sources of home heating. The use of wood burning stoves is growing and space heaters are selling rapidly, or coming out of storage. Fireplaces are burning wood and man made logs. All these methods of heating may be acceptable. They are however, a major contributing factor in residential fires. Many of these fires can be prevented. The following fire safety tips can help you maintain a fire safe home this winter.

- Be sure your space heater is in good working condition. Inspect exhaust parts for carbon buildup. Be sure the heater has an emergency shut off in case the heater is tipped over.
- Be sure the fireplace or stove is installed properly. Woodstoves should have adequate clearance (36") from combustible surfaces, and proper floor support and protection.
- Have your chimney inspected annually and cleaned if necessary, especially if it has not been used for some time.

Fall Back! Change Batteries

With the changing of the clocks, it is also time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. Make sure the unit operates when you depress the test button. If the unit is older than ten years, or you have no idea how old it is, time to replace the unit. New units have a ten year lithium battery. Ensure there is a smoke detector on every level of your home.



WIC CLINICS IN CUDAHY AND GREENFIELD

WIC clinics are held at the Greenfield Health Department on Mondays and Tuesdays and at the Cudahy Health Department on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and the third Tuesday of the month.

This nutrition program provides food vouchers, breastfeeding information and nutrition education for financially qualified pregnant women, mothers, infants and children.

Family Size	Monthly Income	Yearly Income
One	1,670	20,036
Two	2,247	26,955
Three	2,823	33,874
Four	3,400	40,793
Five	3,976	47,712
Six	4,553	54,631
Seven	5,130	61,550
Eight	5,706	68,469
Additional	+267	+6,919

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If you are interested in applying for WIC, call: **Cudahy WIC Program 769-2229** or **Greenfield WIC Program 329-5243** for more information.

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. WIC is an equal opportunity



Seasonal Flu Clinic

The Cudahy Health Department in cooperation with Wheaton Franciscan Home Health Care will hold its annual **Seasonal** flu clinic on **Tuesday, October 12, 2010 from 9am-12noon and 1pm-5pm** in the City Hall Common Council Chambers. All persons aged 9 to adult are encouraged to attend this clinic.

This year the seasonal flu vaccine will contain protection from the H1N1 virus. **No** additional flu vaccine will be needed.

Cost is **\$30.00** for **flu vaccine** and **\$55.00** for **pneumonia vaccine**. Bring Medicare-B and all other insurance cards to the clinic.

NO APPOINTMENTS ARE NEEDED.

We will again collect non-perishable canned goods and toiletry items for Project Concern.

Car Seat Safety

Not sure how to correctly install and properly position your child in their car seat? Call **769-2239 ext 306** to set up an appointment. The Cudahy Health Department also has car seats available for low income Cudahy families.



Keep Your Children Healthy

The Cudahy Health Department holds immunization clinics **twice** a month. All recommended childhood immunizations are available. There is a **\$15.00** administration fee per clinic visit which can be waived under special circumstances.

Call for an appointment TODAY!!

769-2239 Ext 300

HEALTHY MOM-HEALTHY BABY



If you think you might be pregnant:

- See your doctor as soon as possible
- Start a multivitamin with 400mcg of folic acid
- Start eating a balanced diet
- Stop smoking cigarettes
- Avoid exposure to second-hand smoke
- Stop using alcohol and beer
- Stop **ALL** over the counter medications

For a confidential pregnancy test or more information contact the Health Department at **769-2239 Ext 303**

Mammogram Information

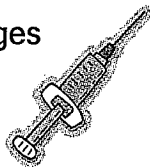
Cudahy women may qualify for FREE mammogram, pap smear & pelvic exam if you:

- ✓ Meet age requirements
- ✓ Have NO health insurance or have a high deductible
- ✓ Meet income guidelines

For more information about the Wisconsin Women's Cancer Control Program, call

769-2239 X 302.

Disposing of Syringes & Sharps



Cudahy residents can dispose of their used syringes and other sharps for free at the Health Department Monday – Friday from 8AM to 5PM.

- Place your sharps in a HARD PLASTIC container such as a laundry detergent bottle
- When the container is full, seal the cap of the bottle.
- Attach a biohazard sticker to the container (You can get them from the Health Dept)
- Bring your container into the Health Dept.



Protect Your Children From Lead

The Cudahy Health Department offers a Program to help prevent lead poisoning called; **"Healthy Babies in Healthy Homes"**.

To qualify for this program there must be someone pregnant in the home **OR** a child under the age of 6. The home must have been built before 1950.

The Health Department will test your home for lead and provide you with information necessary to prevent lead poisoning.

Lead can be found in paint, stain or varnish older than 1978. Lead can be dangerous to you and your children.

It can cause developmental delays, learning disabilities, illness, and even death.

Protect Your Children.

Call Now!

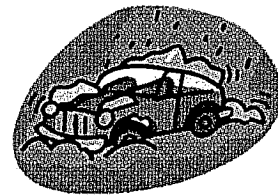
769-2239 Ext. 304

Questioning your Child's Development?



The Health Department can help to identify concerns. It's easy! Parents complete the Ages And Stages Assessment Questionnaire. A nurse will score the test and notify you of the results. Interested?

Call **769-2239 Ext. 304**



Do You Know What To Do If You Get Stuck In A Snow Storm?

- * Stay with your car.
- * Tie a bright colored cloth (if possible, red) to the antenna.
- * Start the car & use the heater for about 10 minutes/hour. Keep the exhaust pipe clear of snow.
- * Leave the inside light on while the engine is running.
- * As you sit in the car, move your arms & legs to stay warm.
- * Keep one window slightly open to let in fresh air.

Test Your Home for Radon

The Cudahy Health Department has a limited number of Radon test kits available, at no cost. Radon is a gas that is formed as Uranium, which is found in the soil, begins to break down. High levels of Radon in the home can cause lung cancer. Call **769-2239 ext 306** for further information or to obtain a Radon test kit.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Aggressive marketing continues on a proposed **\$5 million retail project** at Kingan, Layton and Squire Avenues downtown. The Department of Economic Development and Sara Investment Real Estate, LLC hosted an open house with developers and brokers in August. The City has a one-year marketing agreement with Sara Investment to attract businesses to this proposed development, which includes four separate buildings totaling 31,400 square feet of retail space.

Give yourself a little extra time to look around the next time you're downtown. Nearly two dozen **façade improvement projects** are completed, underway or scheduled to begin. Congratulations to all of the property owners who are contributing to the revitalization of Cudahy's historic business district!



Renovations are underway to a subsidized housing apartment building on Packard Avenue that had been in foreclosure. The Department of Economic Development secured a

federal grant to help fund the purchase of **Packard Hall Apartments** (4932 S. Packard Ave.) by a private developer. When the rehabilitation is complete, nine units will remain low-income housing and the other nine will be moderate-income housing.

Coming in 2011 – **Squire Place Condominiums** between Packard and Kingan Avenues. Several of the 36 one, two and three bedroom units have already been placed under contract.

Cudahy hosted its first ever **City-Wide Open House** on Saturday, September 25th. The event gave potential home-buyers an opportunity to tour dozens of properties within a short period of time. They could also meet with bankers to pre-qualify for home loans, and learn about the assets that contribute to Cudahy's great quality of life.

Eat in South Shore, a marketing effort to promote the South Shore as a unique dining destination with a wide variety of great restaurants, is expected to kick off around the holidays. The Cities of Cudahy, South Milwaukee and St. Francis have teamed up with Good Local Eating, a venture of the Milwaukee-area marketing firm Savage Solutions, LLC. Watch for Eat in South Shore messages on television,

radio, billboards and the web.

EAT IN SOUTH SHORE

The Department of Economic Development was thrilled to play an active role in many of the fantastic **family events** that took place over the summer in Cudahy. If you attended the South Shore Cyclery Classic bicycle race, the City's annual 4th of July festivities and/or the Chase Family Movie Nights at Cudahy Park, THANK YOU! A big thank you also goes out to all of the great sponsors who made these events possible.

Be sure to visit our website

– www.cudahy4business.com – for the latest economic development news. You can also get regular updates about Cudahy at www.cudahy-wi.gov and by following the City on **Facebook** and **Twitter**.

DPW INFORMATION:

NEW DROP OFF CENTER HOURS:

The Cudahy drop-off center will be open for residential waste drop off three days a week. During those hours recycling, garbage and yard waste may be dropped off. The drop off center will no longer be open on Mondays. The new fall hours which begin October 1, 2010 are:

Tuesday & Thursday: 11:30AM to 5PM

Saturday: 8:30AM to 3:30PM

ROOFING MATERIAL NO LONGER ACCEPTED AT THE CITY DROP-OFF SITE:

The City no longer accepts roofing material. When replacing a roof or portions of a roof, it is best to get a dumpster. The City requires written permission for all dumpsters that will be placed in City right of way. This can be done over the phone by calling the Department of Public Works at (414)769-2216.

ITEMS CONTAINING REFRIGERANTS:

The City no longer picks up or accepts items containing refrigerants such as dehumidifiers, air conditioners and refrigerators. You can contact the City's Department of Public Works at (414)769-2216 for the names of companies that will pick up these items.

ELECTRONIC WASTE:

On September 1, 2010, the State of Wisconsin has prohibited the disposal of electronic waste with the usual garbage. Electronic waste includes items such as computers, radios, televisions, cell phones and similar equipment. By law, these items need to be recycled. In order to meet these new regulations, the City has set up bins at the City's drop-off site. City of Cudahy residents can drop off electronic items at the designated bins

during hours when the drop off site is open. Another alternative is to drop electronic items off at any Good Will Center.

EMERALD ASH BORER:

This summer the City was notified that a tree within the City's right of way was afflicted with the emerald ash borer beetle. This beetle is very destructive to ash trees. When the City was notified its Forestry Department took significant steps to minimize the invasion to other communities. Firewood that was typically available to residents must be checked by the City's forestry department before it can be left for the taking. Ash trees removed by the City are quarantined and the wood and branches disposed of at an approved dump site during winter months when the adult beetle is dormant. City street trees however only make up about 30% of the urban forest, so it's very important that private property owners help in minimizing the spread of this nasty bug. Property owners that are thinking about taking a tree down in their yards are asked to notify the City's Department of Public Works to determine if they are cutting down an Ash tree. The City Forester will look at the tree before it is cut. If it is an Ash, the City will ask that the wood and wood chips be disposed of at the City's quarantined site. We also urge all property owners that wood cut in Cudahy – STAYS in Cudahy. You can find more information about the Emerald Ash Borer Beetle at www.emeraldashborer.wi.gov or by calling 1-800-462-2803.

LEAF COLLECTION:

Beginning in October, leaves will be picked up using two vacuum units working each weekday from 5:00 AM to 9:00 PM. You may rake your leaves into the curb

into piles no higher than the curb. Leaf collection will end on December 3rd or the first measurable snowfall.

FALL YARD WASTE

COLLECTION: During the week of November 1-5, the Department of Public Works will pick up yard waste including garden debris, leaves and grass. Plant materials and garden waste can be placed in the curb line for this week only. This does NOT include trees, branches or brush. Crews will be scheduled for one day per aldermanic district. So have your yard waste out by that Monday.

HOLIDAY GARBAGE

PICKUP: For the weeks of Thanksgiving, residents who normally have garbage collection on Wednesday will have their garbage picked up on the regular day. Thursday pick-up will be on Wednesday (the day before the holiday). The week of December 27th, the Monday collection will be on Tuesday, the Tuesday collection will be on Wednesday, and the Wednesday and Thursday collections will be on Thursday. The week of January 3, 2011, all collections will be one day late.

HOLIDAY TREE DISPOSAL:

The Cudahy DPW will be collecting Christmas trees placed at the curb for a two-week period beginning Monday, January 10, 2011.

SIDEWALK SNOW

REMOVAL: Our City codes make it the responsibility of the "owner, or occupant or person in charge of any building or lot" to completely remove snow and ice from the abutting public sidewalk within 24 hours after each snow/ice event. If the sidewalks are not kept clear of snow and ice, the City, without notice, will do the work and bill the cost to the owner.

**POSTAL CUSTOMER
CUDAHY, WI 53110**

CITY OF CUDAHY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

City Hall Main Line	769-2200	Health Department (WIC)	769-2229
Assessor	769-2207	Inspection (building & plumbing)	769-2211
City Attorney	769-2243	Inspection (electrical)	769-2209
City Clerk/Treasurer	769-2204	Library	769-2244
City Comptroller	769-2230	Mayor's Office	769-2222
Department of Public Works	769-2216	Office of Economic Development	769-2215
Engineering Department	769-2212	Police Department (non emergency)	769-2260
Fire/Police Department (emergency)	911	Water Utility (billing information)	769-2237
Fire Department (station #1)	769-2231	Water Utility (purification plan & after hours emergency)	769-2235
Fire Department (station #2)	769-2233	Overnight Parking Permission Line	744-3444
Health Department (main line)	769-2239		